

BATTLE AT PANAMA.

Gen. Albans and Others Killed and Naval Vessel Sunk.

Colombian Government Preparing to Repulse a Threatened Attack on Panama By Land—Gen. Garcia Is in Command.

Colon, Colombia, Jan. 22.—The Chilean line steamer Lautaro (seized by the late Gen. Albans), armored and used as a man-of-war by the Colombian government, and the Pacific Steam Navigation Co.'s steamer (Chicuito) (chartered by the late Gen. Albans), while anchored close together in the harbor of Panama, near the island of Perico, were unexpectedly attacked at 6 o'clock Monday morning by the revolutionary steamers Padilla and the tugboat Darien. After some active firing by all four vessels Gen. Carlos Albans was killed. Fire broke out in the forward part of the Lautaro and this vessel sunk at about 9 o'clock in the morning. The Chicuito was superbly handled during the engagement and was very aggressive.

The death of Gen. Albans is an irreparable loss, not only to the isthmus, but to the entire republic of Colombia. In the field he was an active and fearless foe; in victory he was magnanimous almost to a fault. This is the tribute paid the late Colombian general by the press of the isthmus. He was a man whose praises were sung even by his enemies.

The surgeon and hospital corps of the United States cruiser Philadelphia at Panama were busy rendering medical aid to the men who were wounded in Monday's engagement. The Philadelphia is the only man-of-war at the isthmus.

The Colombian government is making every possible preparation both here and at Panama to repulse the land attacks by the insurgents which is momentarily expected. There are nearly 1,000 government troops at Panama under the command of Gen. Garcia. Senor Arjona remains civil governor of this district pending the receipt of instructions from Bogota.

The Colombian gunboat Gen. Pinzon sailed here Monday and sailed at 8 o'clock Monday night for Savannah. She is expected to return to Colon by the end of this week with reinforcements for the government.

Colon remains perfectly quiet. Many liberals, including Domingo de la Rosa, were arrested here.

GOV. TAFT ARRIVES.

The Transport Grant Landed at San Francisco Monday Night.

San Francisco, Jan. 21.—The United States transport Grant, with Gov. Taft on board, arrived from Manila Monday night, and went into quarantine immediately. As the transport arrived after sundown she was not released by the quarantine officials until after sunrise Tuesday. Col. E. L. Huggins, of the 2d cavalry, is also a passenger on the Grant. The Grant has 74 cabin, four second-class, 1,110 steerage passengers, 858 enlisted men, 203 discharged soldiers, 47 prisoners and 116 sick soldiers. Four deaths occurred on the voyage. Twenty-eight days were consumed in the passage from Manila and twenty days from Nagasaki.

San Francisco, Jan. 22.—Gov. Gen. Taft, who arrived from Manila Monday night, landed Tuesday afternoon. Gov. Taft expected to start for Washington Wednesday. He will stop at Cincinnati, his home, en route.

MISSING MARINES.

Anxiety Regarding Their Whereabouts Has Been Relieved.

Manila, Jan. 22.—The anxiety recently felt concerning the whereabouts of Capt. David D. Porter, of the marine corps, and 35 members who have been absent in the interior of Samar, has been relieved by the arrival on the coast of that island of Capt. Porter and 26 members of his command. The other nine marines are expected to reach the coast soon. Capt. Porter and his party have been in the interior for two weeks, having started on an expedition, provided with rations for five days. Their progress was delayed and they suffered great hardships.

ISTHMIAN CANAL.

Report of the Commission Sent to Congress by the President.

Washington, Jan. 21.—The president Monday sent to congress, with a message simply of transmittal, the supplemental report of the Isthmian canal commission, in which it is unanimously recommended that the offer of the new Panama Canal Co. to sell all of its rights, property and unfinished work to the United States for \$40,000,000, be accepted. The senate ordered the report printed in the congressional records and also as a document.

Visited the Cuban Girl Students. Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Jan. 21.—Gen. T. Estrada Palma, president-elect of the Cuban republic, went to New Raltz Monday to meet the fifty Cuban girls who are being educated as teachers at the state normal school. He gave the students good advice.

A Welcome to Adm. Schley.

Chicago, Jan. 21.—The city council Monday night took official notice of the coming visit of Adm. Schley to Chicago. Resolutions were adopted welcoming him to the city and commending him as a naval hero.

MINE WORKERS OFFICIALS.

Charges of Crookedness Made Against Some of Them.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 22.—Charges against President Mitchell, Secretary Wilson and the executive board of the United Mine Workers of America were the first order of business before the U. M. W. convention Tuesday afternoon and the unexpected announcement that the charge would be taken up caused a flurry of excitement in the convention. Miss Mollie Meredith, an ex-employee of the national office, read her charges against the officials. The charges concern the shortage of ex-Secretary-Treasurer Pearce and allege that President Mitchell and Secretary-Treasurer Wilson did not give out all the facts concerning Pearce's actions, and that they "willfully lied" to the miners' committee a year ago. An investigation of the books is demanded to see how much Pearce's shortage was. It is intimated that both Mitchell and Wilson sought to protect Pearce, and for that reason did not give out all the facts.

Miss Meredith charges that Pearce frequently presented bills for double the amount of purchases. She also says that Pearce's "extra money" amounted to \$2,000 a year, while Mitchell and Wilson reported that he had only taken \$160. Miss Meredith also says that Mitchell allowed Pearce to go away as a "sick man" and send in his resignation from French Lick Springs.

President Mitchell made affidavit that the statement he made to the mine workers' convention a year ago was the truth, and the whole truth. He submitted the affidavit to the convention.

Following the conclusion of President Mitchell's statement there was a protracted discussion, many delegates being desirous of being heard at the same time. A resolution was offered during the confusion expressing confidence in President Mitchell and the other accused officials and condemnation for Miss Meredith, but it was voted down and National Organizer Evans submitted a substitute resolution calling for the appointment of a committee of seven to investigate all charges and report to the convention. This was adopted. President Van Horn appointed the following committee: J. H. Kennedy and Samuel Lynch, of Indiana, districts 8 and 11; W. D. Ryan, of district No. 12, Illinois; T. D. Nichols, district No. 1, Pennsylvania; J. D. Wood, district No. 25, Kentucky; W. H. Haskens, district No. 6, Ohio; Richard Gilbert, district No. 2, Pennsylvania.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 23.—The miners' investigation committee was in session Wednesday night till 1 o'clock Thursday morning. Miss Meredith was before it and was questioned as to her charges and upon what facts they were based. She agreed that if the committee would examine the entries in the cash book at national headquarters during the year 1899 for amounts paid for postage and compare these with ex-Secretary-Treasurer Pearce's receipts for postage to find how many had been altered and the discrepancies proved no larger than claimed by President Mitchell, she would be willing to retract her charges. A member of the committee said after the adjournment that a report would be made Thursday at the session and that President Mitchell would be exonerated.

SHOT FROM AMBUSH.

Capt. J. M. Hartshorne, Jr., 7th Infantry, Killed By Filipinos.

Manila, Jan. 22.—Capt. J. M. Hartshorne, Jr., of the 7th infantry, was shot from ambush and killed January 2, in the eastern part of the island of Samar. Capt. Hartshorne was recently transferred from the 9th to the 7th infantry. Owing to the lack of telegraphic communication in Samar, the news of Capt. Hartshorne's death came by mail in a report from Second Lieut. George W. Wallace, of the 9th. Lieut. Wallace gives no particulars of the occurrence.

TO RAISE MEXICAN TOBACCO.

American Capitalists Make Large Purchases of Land in Mexico.

Mexico City, Jan. 22.—American capitalists have made large purchases of lands in the state of Vera Cruz, where they will raise tobacco on a large scale. Mexican tobacco is now steadily winning favor in Europe and the United States. The total amount exported during the past fiscal year was 2,019,355 kilograms.

FORMER TAMMANY LEADER.

Richard Croker Given a Dinner and a Silver Service.

New York, Jan. 22.—Richard Croker was given a dinner and a silver service Tuesday night by the honorary staff of the First battery, New York national guard. In reply to the speech of Andrew Freedman in presenting the service, Mr. Croker said in part: "I want to say that I have retired from politics for good and all time to come."

Exposition at Lima, Peru.

Lima, Peru, Jan. 22.—The government has decreed the inauguration here on the 1st of next September of a general exposition of machinery, productive of motive power, heat and light, which is to be run with alcohol as a fuel.

Coughed Up a Bayonet Tip.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 22.—Given up to die of consumption, James W. Plunkett, a veteran soldier of the regular army, Tuesday coughed up the tip of a bayonet from his lungs, and will now probably get well.

REMARKABLE SHORTAGE.

Cincinnati Bookkeeper's Peculations From Firm Who Employed Him.

Cincinnati, Jan. 22.—Theodore Braemer, bookkeeper for the Schroth Packing Co., whose salary until recently was but \$25 per week, and who has never received more than \$40 per week as legitimate compensation for his services, managed to appropriate from the coffers of the firm that employed him a sum variously estimated at from \$160,000 to \$400,000, with the chances in favor of the latter figure. He erected a magnificent residence for himself, in Avondale, at a cost of about \$150,000. He lived in luxury, in all that the word implies. And he kept it up for something like 20 years without discovery.

Braemer has turned over his property to the firm to cover the loss.

Cincinnati, Jan. 23.—Sensational reports were published here Wednesday of an alleged shortage in the books of Theodore Braemer, who resigned last Sunday as secretary and treasurer of the J. & F. Schroth Packing Co., of this city. The story as first published estimated a shortage of from \$160,000 to \$400,000, extending over a period of 20 years, and claimed that Mr. Braemer had turned over all his property and chattels in trust pending an examination of the books by experts. Braemer denied that there was any defalcation, but admitted that he had turned \$72,000 in personal property over to Harlan Cleveland, his attorney, and Joseph O'Hara, attorney for the J. & F. Schroth Co. While Braemer talked freely about the case, the Schroths refused to say anything and the attorneys were also reticent.

Braemer is 45 years old and had been with the Schroths 27 years, most of the time receiving \$25 per week as bookkeeper, and in recent years twice that much as secretary and treasurer. The firm did a business of about a million dollars per year, which was collected by Braemer.

A DESPERATE FIGHT.

Three Men Killed, One Fatally and Three Others Slightly Wounded.

Belleville, Tex., Jan. 23.—Three men were killed, one fatally wounded and three others slightly wounded in a fight at the railroad station here Wednesday evening.

The case of Walter Pennington, under indictment for the murder of J. C. Odom, a brother of Milam Odom and a half brother of Constable Raymond White, was called in the district court Wednesday and a large number of people came here from Wallis as witnesses. There was no outbreak until the parties met at the depot. Just how the affair started no one seems to know definitely, but it is generally claimed that the first hostile act was committed by the Odom faction.

The first person wounded was Walter Pennington. The bullet entered his stomach and ranged upward, passing entirely through him. He then opened fire and in an instant the shooting became general. The two Dippers were standing together and had no chance to get under cover. Henry was struck by a bullet and dropped dead where he stood. Antone's wound is in the side and it is believed will not prove dangerous. John Haykath was shot in the foot while trying to get out of range.

When the shooting ceased it was found that White and Odom had been instantly killed, White dying with his pistol cocked and ready to fire. He and Odom were lying close together. Walter Pennington was carried to the hotel, where he now lies in a dying condition.

SURPRISED BY BOERS.

Party of Natives at Lindine Spruit Compelled to Surrender.

Pretoria, Jan. 23.—A few days ago a party of 35 natives were cutting grass at Lindine Spruit, escorted by 25 imperial yeomanry. The party was surprised by 150 Boers and after a gallant resistance in which six of the Boers and one of the British force were killed, were forced to surrender. Four of the unarmed natives were shot in cold blood.

THE TWO MATCH RACES.

Articles of Agreement Signed Between Lawson, Smathers and Scannell.

New York, Jan. 23.—Articles of agreement were signed Wednesday for two match races for \$20,000 a side between Thomas W. Lawson's Boralma and E. E. Smathers's Lord Derby and John J. Scannell's The Abbot. The Boralma-Lord Derby race will take place first. It is agreed that not less than two weeks shall elapse between the races.

The Strike Ended.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Jan. 23.—The strike of the union miners at the West End colliery at Mocaquaga ended Wednesday, the men going back on the promise of the company that the non-union men now employed would be discharged as soon as they finished the improvements they are working upon.

Guests of the Board of Trade.

Washington, Jan. 23.—Twenty-five members of both branches of congress, members of the national board of trade now in session here and well-known citizens, were the guests Wednesday night of the Washington board of trade.

Peace Negotiations Rejected.

London, Jan. 23.—The Morning Leader asserts that the British government definitely rejected an offer of peace negotiations from the Boer delegates, Wessels, Wolmarans and Fischer, last August.

WHAT SETTLERS IN SASKATCHEWAN VALLEY HAVE TO SAY.

Formerly from the United States.

Roshern, July 8th, 1900.

Frank Pedley, Esq., Superintendent of Immigration.

Sir:—We the undersigned settlers in Saskatchewan, Township 43, Range 6, beg to submit the following letter. We came from Springfield, Bonhomme County, S. Dakota, in the spring of 1899, and settled where we now reside. We had considerable crop last year we put in on breaking, and it was very good, and this year 1900 our crop is excellent. Our wheat will yield about twenty bushels to the acre, the oats and barley are also very good, and our potatoes and root crop all that could be desired. We consider this a fine country, and are glad we came, as our prospects could not be better. A poor man will get a start in this country much quicker than in Dakota.

We are yours respectfully,

John H. Schultz, H. A. Coshen, S. Cors, B. H. Dirks, C. D. Unry, P. Unry, A. Ratzliff.

All from South Dakota, U. S. A.

Knew What Was Coming.

Henpeck—I dread to start home with my wife.

Henly—Why? "Didn't you hear how sweetly she thanked me when I told her she should not have trumped your ace?"—Ohio State Journal.

A Bore.

Mrs. Latta—How did Mrs. Bilkins ever get the reputation for being such a bore?

Mrs. Barkey—She tried the experiment of making it a point never to say anything but good of anyone behind their back.—Brooklyn Eagle.

Manager—"I am getting up a show that will make a tremendous hit." Friend—"Real rainstorm, real sawmill, etc., I suppose?" Manager—"No; real actors."—Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph.

Teeth—"One's teeth require lots of looking after, don't they?" "Yes. A mislaid her upper set yesterday and it took us two hours to find them."—Philadelphia Evening Bulletin.

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Where the Difference Lies.

"Wherein lies the difference between photography and courtship?" he asked, softly.

"I don't know," she replied.

"In photography," he explained, "the negative is developed in the dark room, while in courtship that is where the affirmative is developed."

She blushed, but made no answer.

"Let us," he suggested, "proceed to develop an affirmative."

"There being no objections, it was so ordered."—Chicago Post.

Qualified.

"Are you married or unmarried?" asked the theatrical manager of an applicant for engagement.

"Unmarried," replied she. "I've been unmarried four times."—Detroit Free Press.

"A Back Door Market."

One was a well-known banker and the other was a reporter of financial news and views, and they were discussing the course of the Amalgamated Copper company and its management.

"What sort of a market do you call this?" asked the reporter.

"A back-door market," replied the banker.

"What do you mean by that?"

"Why, I mean," said the banker, "that it's a market when you go in at the front door and then crawl out of the back door while the public think you are still inside."—N. Y. Commercial Advertiser.

Fair Warning.—He (nervously)—"Who is that tramping around overhead?" She—"That's papa. He always gets restless toward morning."—Town and Country.

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